of the Legal Counsel, determine by recorded vote whether to close such meeting or portion thereof.

(f) The Chairman of the Commission shall promptly communicate to any person making a request to close a meeting or portion of a meeting under this section the agency's final disposition of such request.

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§ 1612.7 Public announcement of agency meetings.

- (a) Public announcement of each meeting by the agency shall be accomplished by recorded telephone message at telephone number 202-663-7100 (between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. e.t.), and by posting such announcement in the lobby of the Commission's headquarters at 1801 L Street NW., Washington, DC 20507, not later than one week prior to commencement of a meeting or the commencement of the first meeting in a series of meetings, except as otherwise provided in this section, and shall disclose:
 - (1) The time of the meeting.
 - (2) The place of the meeting.
- (3) The subject matter of each portion of each meeting or series of meetings.
- (4) Whether any portion(s) of a meeting will be open or closed to public observation.
- (5) The name and telephone number of an official designated to respond to requests for information about the meeting.
- (b) Where a meeting is closed to the public, the agency may withhold and not announce the information specified in paragraph (a)(3) of this section, if and to the extent that it finds that such action is justified under §1612.4. Information shall be withheld only by a recorded vote of a majority of the entire membership of the agency.
- (c) The announcement described in paragraph (a) of this section may be accomplished less than one week prior to the commencement of any meeting or series of meetings where:
- (1) A majority of the members of the Commission determines by recorded vote that agency business requires that any such meeting or series of meetings be held at an earlier date.

- (2) A meeting is closed under the Commission's regulation as set forth in §1612.13(a) of this part.
- (3) A meeting is closed pursuant to a request made under §1612.6 of this part and submitted less than seven days prior to the meeting.
- (4) There has been a change in the subject matter or determination to open or close a meeting previously announced.

In these instances, the agency shall make public announcement at the earliest practicable time.

- (d) Immediately following any public announcement accomplished under the provisions of this section, the agency shall submit a notice for publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER disclosing:
 - (1) The time of the meeting.
 - (2) The place of the meeting.
- (3) The subject matter of each portion of each meeting or series of meetings
- (4) Whether any portion(s) of a meeting will be open or closed to public observation.
- (5) The name and telephone number of an official designated to respond to requests for information about the meeting.

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§ 1612.8 Public announcement of changes in meetings.

- (a) The agency is required to make a public announcement of any changes in its meeting or portion(s) thereof. If, after the announcement provided for in §1612.7, the time or place of a meeting is changed or the meeting is cancelled, the agency will announce the change at the earliest practicable time. The subject matter or the determination to open or close the meeting may be changed only if (1) a majority of the entire membership of the agency determines by recorded vote that agency business so requires and that no earlier announcement of the change was possible and (2) the agency publicly announces the change and the vote of each member upon such change at the earliest practicable time.
- (b) Immediately following any public announcement of any change accomplished under the provisions of this section, the agency shall submit a notice